



SELF-ADVOCACY STANDING COMMITTEE
DRAFT MINUTES

June 6, 2013

3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council
1740 West Adams Street, Suite 410
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

A standing committee meeting of the Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council (ADDPC) was convened on June 6, 2013 at the ADDPC, 1740 West Adams, Suite 410, Phoenix, Arizona 85007. Notice having been duly given. Present and absent were the following members of the ADDPC.

Members Present	
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Tom Uno, Chair, Teleconference	Madeline Corzine, Teleconference
Monica Cooper, Teleconference	Tim Martin, Teleconference
Susie Cannata, Teleconference	Elmer Saufkie, Teleconference

Staff/Members of the Public	Members Absent
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Marcella Crane, Contracts Manager	David Copins
Lani St. Cyr, Fiscal Manager	William Kirwan
Michael Leyva, Grants Coordinator	
Larry Clausen, Executive Director, Teleconference	

Members of the Public:

George Garcia, Southwest Institute for Families
Juliana Huerena, Southwest Institute for Families

A. Call to Order:

Tom Uno welcomed everyone to the Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council (ADDPC) Self-Advocacy standing committee meeting. Meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m. and introductions were made.

B. Minutes Approval

The Minutes from the August 23, 2012 committee meeting were approved with no changes.

- Motion by Tim Martin to accept the Minutes.
- Motion was seconded by Monica Cooper.
- Motion carried.

C. Project LEAP, Year 3 Renewal Contract

Marcella Crane, Contracts Manager, presented to the committee an update of the renewal application received from Pilot Parents of Southern Arizona (PPSA) for Project LEAP. PPSA is applying for a third year extension, requesting funds in the amount \$50,000.00. Project LEAP met all of their tasks as outlined in their proposal - developed policies and procedures, for an ongoing registry of educational training events (statewide, regional and nationally) that is geared for persons with developmental disabilities and their families. To accomplish this objective, Pilot Parents developed procedures for recruitment of individuals, a screening and selection process, outlined eligibility requirements, outlined limitations on training per individuals on a calendar basis and developed a method for conducting and collecting follow-up evaluations. Pilot Parents also arranged for and compensated approved individuals for registration, and ensure that all travel and accommodations is ADA compliant. The year three renewal will reflect approximately \$30,000 dollars available for individual scholarships. Evaluation data shows that as of June 5, 2013 – 52 applications received to date with 40 individual partnerships approved for a LEAP scholarship.

Committee members discussed the proposal and required further information on what type of data is being collected and to request a summary of the data to the committee members. Committee members proceeded with a motion as stated below:

- Motion by Tim Martin to recommend for approval PPSA Project LEAP proposal, at \$50,000 for a third year contract, based on further review of the data received. If significant issues or concerns are raised by Committee members, the Committee will reconvene as necessary.
- Motion was seconded by Monica Cooper.
- Motion carried.

D. Project SPEAK, Year 3 Renewal Contract

Marcella Crane, Contracts Manager, presented to the committee an update of the renewal application received from Southwest Institute for Families (SWI) for Project SPEAK. SWI is applying for a third year extension, requesting funds in the amount of \$82,568.00. Project SPEAK – People in Empowerment, Advocacy, and Knowledge has as their main objective to support and increase the capacity of the five self-advocacy groups that SWI staff are working with. These organizations are in Maricopa and Pima Counties; in addition to working with a newly formed self-advocacy group in Kayenta, AZ. (Navajo Nation). Curriculum was developed in the first year of the grant that is meant to create strong, independent, self-advocacy organizations. Prior to training taking place, each self-advocacy organization partakes in an assessment of their organizational strength and weakness. Areas identified include board membership recruitment, retention and leadership development; development of vision, mission and goals; sustainable structure of the organization development (bylaws and non-profit status); identification of funds; topics of interest and development of communication plans.

Committee members asked questions of the chart provided within the application that showed the areas of training provided, and Mr. Garcia provided clarification. With no further discussion, the committee proceeded with a motion as stated below:

- Motion by Monica Cooper to recommend for approval SWI proposal at \$82,568 for a third year contract.
- Motion was seconded by Elmer Saufkie.
- Motion carried.

E. Partners in Policymaking, Year 4 Renewal Contract

Marcella Crane, Contracts Manager, presented to the committee an update of the renewal application received from Pilot Parents of Southern Arizona (PPSA) for Partners in Policymaking. PPSA is applying for a fourth year extension, requesting funds in the amount \$100,000.00. Partners in Policymaking is a statewide advocacy and leadership program for parents of children with disabilities and for young adults with a disability who want to further themselves as self-advocates. Partners in Policymaking is a nationally recognized program that has been adapted to meet the unique challenges in Arizona. The program is an essential tool for affecting public policy change and educating stakeholders on disability related issues. The fourth year of funding is a budget increase to support the hire of an additional staff and ERE (program coordinator); travel; rent; indirect costs; and a subcontract with the University of New Hampshire for technical assistance on recruitment and outcome data tracking. The graduation class from the Year 3 contract took place on May 11, 2013 with 18 graduates. They were all parents and were from the counties of Maricopa, Pima, Pinal, Yavapai and Yuma. Each expressed their gratitude to the staff of PPSA, and they all felt empowered with the information they learned from the 6-month program.

Committee members discussed the proposal and required further information on what type of data is being collected and to request a summary of the data to the committee members. Committee members proceeded with a motion as stated below:

- Motion by Susie Cannata to recommend for approval PPSA Partners in Policymaking proposal, at \$100,000 for a fourth year contract, based on further review of the data received. If significant issues or concerns are raised by Committee members, the Committee will reconvene as necessary.
- Motion was seconded by Tim Martin.
- Motion carried.

F. Call to the Public

Public members in attendance stated their gratitude in approving Project SPEAK.

G. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Dated this 10th day of June, 2013
Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council